

## **DISTRICT ADVISORY BOARD (DAB) I**

### **MEETING MINUTES**

**Monday, April 4, 2005**

**7:00 p.m.**

**Atwater Community Center, 2755 E. 19<sup>th</sup>, Wichita, Kansas 67214**

#### **Members Present**

Gerald Domitrovic  
Treatha Brown-Foster  
Lois Tully-Gerber  
Lori Lawrence  
Debra K. Miller Stevens  
Debby Moore  
Sharon Myers\*  
Steve Roberts  
James Thompson  
LaVonta Williams

#### **Members Absent**

Vice Mayor Carl Brewer

#### **Guests**

Dorothy Nave, 1802 Looman  
Carl Ligon, 1736 NE Parkway  
Beverly Domitrovic, Schweiter NA  
Greg Burge, 6912 Croyden Circle  
L. Utsey, 2541 N. Minnesota  
Loretta Hardin, 1903 N.  
John Stevens, 3125 E. Boston

#### **\*Alternates**

#### **City of Wichita Staff Present**

Virdena Gilkey, Neighborhood Assistant  
Bob Thompson, WFD  
Max Tenbrook, WPD  
M. J. Russell, WPD

### **Order of Business**

#### **Call to Order**

**Pro-tem Debby Moore** called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m. and welcomed the guests. She asked that those who wished to address the board would please state their name and address and keep their remarks limited to five minutes. Several citizens asked to speak on the zoning cases.

#### **Approval of Minutes**

**Roberts (Williams)** made a motion to approve the March 2005 minutes as submitted. **Myers** stated that she would like to make the following comments for the record that were omitted from the minutes (Myers read the following statement): *I would like to go on record with fellow DAB 1 board members that the loud noise issue of music is continuing to come from vehicles across the city and is not being satisfactorily addressed by the Police Department. In DAB 1 Member Debby Moore's neighborhood it had been taken care of months ago, but now it is back. This is a concern for all citizens across the city whether you are in your own home or in traffic. I would like to also add to the affect of loud music on adults that it could be considered "child abuse" to be playing loud music in the presence of children in the vehicle playing the loud music. It does affect our hearing. Children have very tender ears and could possibly have hearing damage at an early age because of the determination of the person/persons to feel the music.*

*Oklahoma is very strict on the ordinance and has had much success. Perhaps we need to contact them and find out how they are handling this noise problem with good success.*

**Roberts (Williams)** amended the motion to include the comments of Sharon Myers. Motion carried (8-0).

#### **Approval of Agenda**

**Virdena Gilkey, staff**, added the District 1 Award to be given out at the end of the meeting.

**Roberts (Tully Gerber)** made a motion to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried (8-0).

## **Public Agenda**

### **1. Scheduled Item**

No items submitted.

### **2. Off-agenda items**

No items submitted.

## **Staff Reports**

### **3. Police Report**

**Officer Judith Jones, Patrol North**, gave the following report: **1)** new Community Police Lieutenant is Lt Nolte; **2)** 42 Beat (Officer Kimble) reported: a) increase in prostitution on 900-1100 Cleveland, b) there is an increase in drug houses on the beat, c) burglary to construction sites is being addressed, and d) King David is living 1000 Washington; **3)** 43 Beat (Officer Jones) reported: a) Id-a-Kid on 4-3 with Hope Street. 20 kids participated in the event, b) Black Adoption Fair will take place on 4-09-05. This fair targets minority children who are often not adopted; **4)** 44 Beat (Officer Seang) reported: a) a Gang Conference was held at Atwater NCH on 3-29-05 with approximately 65-70 people in attendance. North High will host the conference on 4-12-05; **5)** 45 Beat currently does not have an officer in this position; **6)** 46 Beat (Officer Parker) reported: there has been an increase in Auto Larcenies; **7)** 47 Beat (Officer Wallace) reported: a) working on an eviction for a drug house on Wellsley; and b) working w/ Rescue Mission on vagrants.

*(Officer Jones's response in italics)*

**Brown Foster** stated that on Beat 47 there are cars creating havoc at 2:30 a.m. at the Amoco station on 21<sup>st</sup> Street. *I will alert our 3<sup>rd</sup> shift to address this.* **Myers** expressed appreciation for the report on Beat 47. She inquired about the loud noise violators in vehicles. *If you can get us a tag number, we will contact the person who violates the ordinance.* **Myers** responded that in the past she made a list of license numbers and e-mailed them. **Tully Gerber** requested an 8 ½ x 11 of the patrol boundaries, as that would be helpful to everyone. *I will send something to Virdena or you can obtain the information via the Internet.* **Thompson** asked about the status of miniature mopeds? *In order for a person to operate a moped, the vehicle must have a license tag and be insured. The owner must have a license to operate the vehicle as well.* **Brown Foster** stated that the Northeast Millar community did not get a notification of the Gang Seminar.

The board received and filed.

### **4. Proposed Amendments to the Wichita-Sedgwick County Comprehensive Plan**

**Dave Barber, MAPD staff**, presented information regarding proposed January 2005 amendments to the Wichita-Sedgwick County Comprehensive Plan. He stated that he was looking for an endorsement of the proposed amendment and the following areas are being looked at for revision: 1) 2030 Wichita Functional Land Use Guide Map (census from 1990); 2) the Wichita and Small Cities 2030 Urban Service Areas Map (census from 1990). These amendments are proposed due to annexations. They are working with small cities such as Kechi and BelAire to work on growing together.

The following areas were looked at: 1) total population and employment groups in the next 20 to 30 years; 2) new housing and dwelling; and 3) development constraints, which are barriers due to flood plain issues.

*(Dave Barber's response is in italics)*

**Brown Foster** asked if the Urban Services Area Map includes the 21<sup>st</sup> Street Corridor? *Yes it does. We have identified that area as well as the Historic Midtown area and others.*

**Tully Gerber** asked with is the dark blue area on the legend of the map mean? *Air Force Base, churches, and schools.* **Domitrovic** asked what is the meaning of institutional use? *Institution is a good example of a broad umbrella.*

**Brown Foster (Williams)** made a motion to support the proposed January 2005 amendments to the Wichita-Sedgwick County Comprehensive Plan.

**5. Community Events Ordinance**

**Bob Thompson, staff**, made a presentation regarding the new proposed Community Events Ordinance via a PowerPoint presentation.

*(Bob Thompson's response is in italics)*

**Moore** stated that she read the definitions in detail and asked if this ordinance would regulate or limit protests? *It is not clear concerning that type of "parade". Events such as abortion protests of Tiller's Clinic are under consideration by the Law Department due to pending litigation.* **Brown Foster** inquired about family reunions and asked if these gathering would apply to reunions held in the parks? *Family Reunions are not included. Nor are the block parties that are held by neighborhood associations.*

**Williams** asked that if she had a family reunion and reserved a shelter, would they be responsible for the noise. *The noise ordinance is enforced no matter what event is being held.* **Tully Gerber** asked about the comments concerning Tiller's Clinic. *What happened at Tiller's Clinic is more of a protest than a parade. The city is trying to obtain clear litigation on that.*

**Moore** stated that besides the Wichita Fire Department, what other organizations participate in collecting funds from people in automobiles. *Not many organizations do this besides WFD and Muscular Dystrophy. That type of fundraising is not considered a community event.* **Domitrovic** asked what is considered a City event? He added that the insurance rates sounds like a lot of money. *The River Festival would be considered one of our events.* **Miller-Stevens** asked for clarification on the process that was formerly handled by the Park Department. She stated that the documents kept referring to the Board of Park of Commission and asked if there would still be representation from the Park.

*Basically, the purpose of the ordinance is to streamline the process where applicants come to City Hall and report to a specific department. Many times the affected departments get the information second hand. With this process, all affected departments would know at the same time. Doug Kupper is the current representative.* **Moore** addressed the security issues and asked who is responsible for security issues? *This is being tracked at this time as directed by the City Manager. Currently, we use on-duty officers at no additional cost and we are looking at liability issues in regards to who assumes responsibility for the officers.*

**Thompson** asked if it would be feasible for the Law Department to define what the City considers a special event? He stated that clear distinctions needs to be made about the ordinance before they make a recommendation.

**Domitrovic (Roberts)** made a motion to obtain additional clarification before a recommended approval is granted. Motion carried 7-1 (**Moore** opposed).

**Unfinished Business**

No items submitted

**New Business**

No items submitted

**Board Agenda**

**6. Updates, Issues, and Reports**

- **Gilkey, staff**, suggested that the award presentation be postponed and presented at the next DAB 1 meeting due to the absence of Council Member Brewer.
- **Williams** reminded everyone to get out and vote.
- **Brown Foster** announced the luncheon with Maci Houston, Regional Director of HUD, to speak to the community on April 20<sup>th</sup>, Cisro's Restaurant, 21<sup>st</sup> & Oliver, 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Luncheon tickets are \$12 per person.
- **Moore** announced the next District 1 Coalition Breakfast, May 7<sup>th</sup> and the next DAB 1 Meeting, May 2<sup>nd</sup>.

The board received and filed.

With no further business, **Brown Foster (Roberts)** made a motion to adjourn. Motion carried 8-0. The meeting adjourned at 8:28 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Virdena Gilkey  
Neighborhood Assistant